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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Tang *et al.*

Title: ***MOLECULES ASSOCIATED WITH CELL PROLIFERATION***

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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief, mailed February 1, 2007, in which the Office rejected new evidence sought to be entered in the Appeal Brief filed November 14, 2006. To enter this new evidence, and to afford consideration of Applicants' arguments, the present Reply is filed herewith. This Reply addresses rejections pending from the Office Action of July 31, 2006. No amendments to the specification or claims are sought.

This Reply is filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and fulfills the requirements of a "submission" under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c). In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(d), the filing of this Reply and RCE is to be treated as a request to withdraw the pending appeal and reopen prosecution.

This Reply is filed within 30 days of receipt of the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief. It is believed that no extensions of time are required. If extensions of time are required, authorization is hereby given to charge any deficiency or credit any balance to the undersigned deposit account 19-0741.